

REMARKS

Claims 1-54 were pending in the application at the time of the Office Action. The Office Action set forth a restriction requirement requiring applicant to elect one of the following groups of claims for prosecution on the merits:

Group I:	claims 1-13 and
Group II:	claims 14-54

Applicant hereby elects without traverse Group II containing claims 14-54. As such, applicant has herein canceled claims 1-13. Applicant has also cancelled claims 52-54 of the elected claims.

The Office Action also set forth an election requirement asserting that the claims are directed to the following patentably distinct species and requiring applicant to elect one of the species:

Species I:	Figures 12A-12C
Species II:	Figure 13
Species III:	Figures 14-15B
Species IV:	Figures 16A and 16B
Species V:	Figures 26A-26B
Species VI:	Figures 27A and 27B

Upon election of the above species, applicant was also required to elect one of the following sub-species:

Sub-species A:	Figure 17
Sub-species B:	Figure 23
Sub-species C:	Figure 24

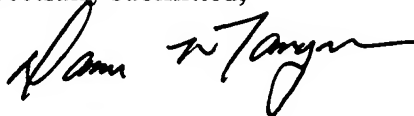
Applicant hereby elects without traverse Species I containing Figures 12A-12C and Sub-species A containing Figure 17. In view of the above election of species and sub-species, applicant hereby asserts that claims 14, 15, 18-24, 26-32, 35, 37-40, 42, 43, 45-48, and 50 read on the elected

species and sub-species. As such, claims 16, 17, 25, 33, 34, 36, 41, 44, 49, and 51 of the elected claims have been withdrawn from consideration.

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's reconsideration and allowance of claims 14, 15, 18-24, 26-32, 35, 37-40, 42, 43, 45-48, and 50 as currently pending in the present application. Should the Examiner find any impediment to allowance of the claims which could be clarified in a telephonic interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initiate such an interview with the undersigned.

Dated this 26th day of August 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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